

THE ROYAL CIRCLE.
A New Lodge Organized at Dalton City
Last Night.

A local circle of the Royal Circle was instituted at Dalton City last night by General Organizer M. J. Power of Springfield, assisted by Special Deputy R. B. Spaulding of this city with forty charter members, comprising the best and most influential citizens of Dalton City. The people there are well pleased with the principles and plans of the Royal Circle and before long at least fifty more will be enrolled in the new organization. The next meeting will be held on the 28th inst., at which time they will have an entertainment of some kind, a committee having been appointed for that purpose at the meeting last night. The following officers were elected and installed:

Worthy Ruler—Charles A. Hight.
Worthy Advisor—Cecilia Freedland.
Worthy Chaplain—Marshall R. Myer.
Worthy Secretary—William H. Taylor.
Worthy Treasurer—Bruce B. Combs.
Worthy Marshal—James W. Berry.
Worthy Guard—Lena G. Ground.
Worthy Sentry—Harry L. Ground.
Worthy Medical Examiner—Brinsley C. Graves.

Worthy Managers—George Ferne, three years; Frank E. McCoy, two years; John S. Roney, one year.

A SERIES OF SENSATIONS.

Arrest of One Man Gives a Clue to a Robbery and Murder.

Ottumwa, Iowa, May 14.—The arrest of "Dink" Dodd of this city and City Marshal Stevens of Eldon for the robbery of the Eldon bank on February 1, has been followed with many sensations. In searching Dodd the chief of police found a fancy pocket knife with the name of James L. Ayleworth on it. Ayleworth was a traveling man who came to this city April 18 and was lodged in an alley and robbed of a diamond valued at \$165 and a number of other valuables. He was badly injured and died at his home in Chicago a few days afterwards. Dodd told the officers that he got the knife from a well known young man. The police learned that this man with two others, was seen with Ayleworth in several saloons. The arrest of two of them followed. Those arrested are Fred Grube, Jerry Devol and James Rirdan. Grube and another not yet arrested are from prominent families. Rirdan was arrested last night. The rug which he pawned at Burlington has been located.

A CABINET MEETING.

Report that It Has Been Decided that an Effort to Feed Starving Americans in Cuba Would Fail.

Washington, May 14.—The president is earnestly considering the advisability of sending a message to congress next week, suggesting the adoption of measures for the relief of starving Americans in Cuba. If sent it will not be warlike or sensational. In order that he may have the fullest information on which to base his recommendations, the president has called all the consuls in Cuba, directing them to cable at once the exact situation in their respective districts. A cabinet meeting was held today when the subject was gone over. The only conclusion arrived at is that the message will not be sent to congress Monday. Such a proposition as sending food to Americans in Cuba will meet with considerable opposition. It is said to be impracticable to test citizenship and to feed every starving man woman and child who applies for relief and to feed no others would be to relieve Spain of the burden of responsibility.

Popular Entertainment.

The choir of St. James' German Catholic church will give another one of their popular musical and dramatic entertainments on Tuesday, May 18, at Turner hall, commencing at 8 p. m. Everybody invited. Admission 25 cents.—Tidw

Musicians' Union.

Regular monthly meeting this (Friday) night. All members are urged to be present to attend as business of much importance will be presented for consideration. C. P. Housum, Jr., secretary.

BASE BALL.

National League.

Philadelphia 3, Louisville 2.
Boston 4, Cleveland 1.
Cincinnati 7, New York 3.
Washington 7, Pittsburgh 4.

Western League.

Indianapolis 7, Columbus 1.
Kansas City 3, Milwaukee 1.
Detroit 14, Grand Rapids 6.
St. Paul 13, Minneapolis 9.

WASHINGTON.

The First President of the Nation Remembered by a Grateful and Admiring People.

IMPOSING CEREMONIES AT PHILADELPHIA.

The Magnificent Memorial Unveiled To-Day-- President McKinley and Cabinet in Attendance--Description of the Testimonial--How the Fund Was Accumulated.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 15.—Here in this city which first paced on his brow a laurel crown of achievement the memory of George Washington, soldier and statesman, the man is honored today in monumental bronze. The cord which released the veiling flags from the figure of the first ruler of the republic was drawn by the first of warriors to shed the blood of those patriots who battled shoulder to shoulder with Washington, and with him made possible the scene enacted today, a scene conceived by those very comrades in arms executed by their sons in peace. The purpose of years, evolved by a handful of warriors to do honor to the chief, and carried through crosses and adversity by their sons, is consummated, but a consummation beyond the brightest dreams of those few war stained Americans. The union which they formed has grown to be a mighty organization, whose membership stretches from ocean to ocean under the name of the society of the Cincinnati, while a magnificent memorial in itself, is here as a gateway to the greatest park, and in the most intensive American city of the land which has surpassed their highest hopes. It was not the gathering of representatives of the country, including the president, vice president, cabinet officers, its defenders, its officers and privates of the army and navy, its best blood in direct descent, the founders and makers of a nation like Wm. Wayne, president of the Cincinnati who formally presented the monument to the city. He traces his lineage straight to Mad Anthony and Wm. W. Porter, son of the day, grandson of George Washington, twice governor of Pennsylvania and great grand son of General Andrew Porter, on Washington's side in the revolution. Thus no historic interests are wanting to stimulate enthusiasm. The actual unveiling ceremony was impressive and simple. Bishop Whitely opened with prayer. Major Wayne followed with an appropriate address; then came the unveiling by President McKinley and resultant clamor, augmented by the national salute of twenty-one guns, and foreign and American war vessels in the Delaware. This concluded President McKinley spoke briefly. He said:

Fellow Citizens: There is peculiar tender sentiment connected with this memorial. It expresses not only gratitude and reverence of the living but a testimonial of affection and homage for the dead comrades of Washington who projected this monument. Their love inspired it. Their contributions helped to build it.

To participate in the dedication of such a monument is a rare and precious privilege. Every monument to Washington is a tribute to patriotism. God bless every such undertaking which revives patriotism, rebukes the indifferent and the lawless. A critical study of Washington's career enhances our estimation of his vast and varied abilities. As commander-in-chief of the colonial armies, as president of the convention which framed the constitution of the United States, as the first president under that constitution, Washington has a distinction differing from that of all other illustrious Americans. No other name bears or can bear such relations to the government.

It was not the boldness of martial display or the charm of captivating oratory, but his calm, steady judgment won men's support and commanded their confidence by appealing to the best and noblest aspirations. Withal Washington, ever so modest at no time in his career did his personality seem in the least intrusive. He was above the temptation of power. He was above a suggested crown. He would have no order which the people did not bestow. He was ever keenly watchful of the rights of the people in whose hands

Revolution, and Horace Binney. They appealed for funds to the people of Pennsylvania, and \$2000 came in. From this small beginning the fund has grown to \$380,000, although the original purpose was to raise only \$150,000.

The war of 1812, with its two years of excitement and the consequent hard times, caused a suspension of the movement. It remained in abeyance for a number of years. Finally, in 1832, the 100th anniversary of Washington's birth, produced another revival of patriotic memories, and a committee of citizens started a new fund for the monument. In honor of this centennial there was a great procession, and in the division given up to trophies was a car drawn by seven horses and carrying the corner-stone which had been prepared for the monument. Again the next year there was a great parade, and the stone was laid in the center of Washington Square, within sight of the veiled Independence Hall.

Meantime the original fund in the custody of the Cincinnati had remained undisturbed, and the citizens' fund was also substantially intact. Overtures were repeatedly made for a consolidation of the two funds, but the sturdy conservatism of the Cincinnatians defeated them until about fifteen years ago, when the matter was carried to the courts with successful issue. During the interval of quiescence both funds had waxed faster—the citizens' to \$350,000 and the Cincinnati to \$180,000. The union formed a treasury which continued to accumulate up to the grand achievement today of the purpose of our forefathers.

The monument, which is the design of Professor Rudolph Steiner, a celebrated sculptor of Berlin, is about 40 feet high. From an oblong platform, reached on four sides by 18 steps, symbolical of the thirteen original states, rises a pedestal bearing an equestrian statue in bronze of General Washington. The Father of His Country is represented in the colonial uniform of the American army, a large military cloak being thrown around his commanding figure. At the four corners of the platform are fountains, served by allegorical figures of American Indians, representing four rivers, the Delaware, Hudson, Potomac and Mississippi. On the sides, each of these fountains is guarded by typical American animals, eight in all. At the front and back of the pedestal are two allegorical groups, the former representing America seated, holding in one hand a cornucopia; in the other a trident, and having at her feet chains just cast off. She is in the act of receiving from her victorious sons the trophies of their conquest. Below this group is an eagle supporting the arms of the United States.

The group in the back represents America arousing her sons to a sense of their slavery. Below are the arms of Pennsylvania. On the sides of the pedestal are two bas-reliefs, one representing the march of the American army, the other a western-bound emigrant train. On one side the pedestal bears the inscription: "Sic Semper Tyranni," and "Per Aspera ad Astra," on the other "Westward the Star of Empire Takes its Way." Surrounding the upper portion of the pedestal is the legend: "Erected by the State Society of the Cincinnati."

The Society of the Cincinnati forms an interesting link connecting our times with the revolution. Later wars have produced other societies which are composed of actual participants in the events which they commemorate, whereas the Cincinnati, conceived by Washington's fellows in the field, now includes only their descendants. It was founded on May 18, 1783, at a meeting of the officers of the Continental army, at the Verplanck residence on the east shore of the Hudson river, about a mile above Fishkill, N. Y. Each regiment and staff corps sent its representative, and Inspector General Steuben presided. The constitution, or rather institution, as the phrase still continues, recounts the happy close of the war for independence "after a bloody conflict of eight years," and then recites as the purpose of the society: "To perpetuate, as well the remembrance of this vast event as the neutral friendships which have been formed under the pressure of common danger and in many instances cemented by the blood of the parties, the officers of the American army do hereby, in the most solemn manner, associate, constitute and combine themselves into one society of friends, to endure as long as they shall endure or any of their eldest male posterity, and in failure thereof, the collateral branches who may be judged worthy of becoming its supporters and members.

"The officers of the American army, having generally been taken from the citizens of America, possess the reputation for the character of that illustrious Roman, Lucius Quinctius Cincinnatus, and, being resolved to follow his example by returning to their citizenship, they think they may with propriety denominate themselves the Society of the Cincinnati."

The first officers were General Washington, president general; General James Mifflin, vice president general; General Knox,

DE LOME WITH DAY.

The Spanish Minister Hastens to Say that Spain Will Not Oppose Relief.

MORGAN WILL YIELD NOTHING.

Proposes to Press His Resolution Regardless of the Movement to Relieve Americans in Cuba—Cuban Day in Washington.

Washington, May 15.—The Spanish minister, Dupuy De Lome called at the state department yesterday and conferred for some time with Assistant Secretary Day relative to the reported intention of this government to send relief to American sufferers in Cuba. The minister gave assurances that the Spanish government would be in sympathy with any benevolent movement, and would lend every assistance to it. It was recalled by the minister that four months ago he had written the officers of the Red Cross society giving in behalf of his government full authority for extending aid to the sufferers in Cuba. Since then, however, no steps toward relief have been taken. The Spanish minister does not question the existence of misery and suffering on the island, but declares that it is such only as accompanies insurrection and war, heightened in this case by the diseases peculiar to low tropical countries. It is stated that these conditions have existed for months, and have been well known. As to the severity of the suffering, it is said that it consists mainly in the lack of adequate food, medicine and nursing for the sick and destitute. The statements that people are dying in the streets are not admitted at the legation, but are discredited, and as to the Americans, it is said that there are a number of well-to-do Americans in Cuba who would relieve any extreme distress on the part of their fellow countrymen.

The conference between Assistant Secretary Day and Senor De Lome lasted for over an hour and was confined entirely to a discussion of the extension of relief measures. No objection was made in the half of the Spanish government to the supply of food, medicine and clothing to the distressed Americans in Cuba, but it was clearly understood that the relief to be extended only to American citizens. The Spanish authorities have not recorded any objection on their part to a general distribution, provided this is not carried to the extent of provisioning the insurgent forces in their resistance to Spain.

Sunday will be Cuban day in Washington. Many of the pastors of the churches have made arrangements for special services, consisting of prayers for the speedy deliverance of the Cubans from the barbarous oppression of Spain, and will preach sermons appropriate to the subject.

There will be a great mass meeting in the afternoon at Columbia theatre to be held under the auspices of the Cuban league of this city. The object of the gathering will be to adopt some practical method of showing substantial sympathy for the suffering patriots, who are now following the example set by the forefathers of the union in bravely fighting for liberty and freedom. The meeting will be presided over by Senator Gainger, and many distinguished speakers will make addresses. Sangfully, the prisoner who was released from Moro Castle's dungeons on the demand of the United States, has notified General William Henry Browne, president of the Washington Cuban League, that he will attend the meeting. He will bring a party of gentlemen from New York.

De Lome is Snubbed by McKinley.

New York, May 15.—A Washington dispatch to the Journal says:

Dupuy de Lome, the Spanish minister, is greatly agitated by the bold policy which is about to be forced upon the administration, and he is busy cabling his government at Madrid, quarrelling with Captain General Weyler, and seeking interviews with the secretary of state. President McKinley has given De Lome to understand that none of his suggestions will apply to the present condition in Cuba.

When De Lome heard that the president had been urged to ask congress for an appropriation with which to buy food and clothing for the suffering Americans in Cuba he rushed to the state department and asked for a modification of the policy. He suggested that the Red Cross society was the proper channel through which this help should be given.

Assistant Secretary of State Day at once visited the White House. The president had just discussed the situation with the senate committee and directed Day to discuss De Lome with a statement that he

did not propose to call upon the Red Cross society and that he would follow his own method in distributing relief supplies to the American sufferers. There was nothing left for De Lome to do but withdraw in a pout and wire Madrid that the time for foolishness had ceased.

Nothing but a miracle can now prevent the recognition of the belligerency of the Cuban Republic.

Senator Foraker and some of his colleagues discovered that the Cleveland administration has suppressed evidence enough in the archives of the state department to have justified even a declaration of war by the United States. Two days ago Senator Foraker went to the state department and insisted on reading the revolting records of cruelty, lawlessness and oppression.

The result is that as much of the records as can be dragged out of the hands of Secretary Sherman is to be made public at once.

There is every reason to believe now that if the resolution passes congress the president will promptly recognize the belligerency of Cuba and take the consequences.

Waiting for News.

Washington, May 15.—It is said that the president bitterly regrets the fact that Judge Day was not sent to Cuba as originally intended, for, if the first program had been carried out, he would by this time have been in a position to have furnished the administration with reliable information. Mr. Calhoun arrived in Cuba on Wednesday. He has already been requested to send an opinion as to the situation some time today, and follow it up with brief cable dispatches daily. It is, of course, understood that Mr. Calhoun can have no opportunity for personal investigation, but the president has such unbounded confidence in his good judgment that he would be willing to take his opinion, even if it were based only on an afternoon's conversation with General Lee.

The danger of the situation now rests largely in the senate. The president is disinclined to act hurriedly and may delay sending in his message. If he does so there is no telling what action may be taken. A resolution ordering a warship to be stationed at Havana or one declaring the island independent of Spain would secure almost as many votes as the mere recognition of belligerency or the appropriation.

A summary of the reports of the consuls has been prepared for submission to the senate, and it is admitted, even at the state department that this is of such an exciting character that the senate would be justified in taking almost any action after learning its contents.

Confidential News.

Philadelphia, May 15.—President McKinley received from Secretary Sherman from Washington this morning abstracts and telegrams from the consuls in Cuba touching distress prevailing there, especially that affecting Americans on the island. It is understood they largely confirm the reports heretofore received. It is believed the president will communicate with congress on the subject early next week, though no message on the point is yet written.

AT SEA AS TO ADJOURNMENT.

Senate Resolutions to Quit June 4 Not Sent to the House.

Springfield, Ill., May 15.—It seems that the question of final adjournment is not settled after all. The senate on Wednesday adopted an amendment to the house joint resolution fixing June 4 as the date for sine die adjournment. The resolution, with this amendment, has not yet been sent back to the house and it was stated that it will be held in the senate several days.

Members of the senate have been holding informal conferences on the subject, and there is now a movement to postpone the session to June 11, or possibly to the 18th.

The motive for extending the session beyond the date agreed upon two days ago is not yet apparent, though it is stated that a large number of the members have measures pending which they fear will not receive proper attention if the adjournment occurs on June 4. The sentiment in the house appears to favor the latter date, but the senate now has control of the matter and will have until the resolution is reported to the house. It is probable that the question will be decided next week.

Little Girl's Long Journey Alone.

San Diego, Cal., May 15.—A little girl named Clark, aged 4 years, has arrived in this city from Kansas City, having made the journey alone. Her mother is here in search of health, and her father was unable to accompany the child hither. To gratify the mother the youngster was put aboard the train and started on the long journey overland all alone, making the trip in safety and apparently having a first rate time under the supervision of the kindhearted railroad men.

John Stein, aged 60, a German, at Moseville, Peoria county, suicided by blowing out his brains with a pistol.

Garrett's Family.

Household goods of W. Garrett of the Wabash arrived in Decatur this morning. The family baggage, a special coach, furniture in a baggage car, were placed on the Decatur special crossing at Peoria avenue that Garrett and family will arrive today by the coal-burner. The family is very well pleased.

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WHITE-EYED PATTERSON

A Bad Man of the West Who Wasn't Wholly Bad.

He Did Not Kill Everybody, and When He Set Out to Fight a Wrong He Did It in Style.



GREAT many men have gone down in history as being 'bad men' in the early days on the Pacific slope," said Maj. Edward Ragsdale, of Topeka, Kan. "But some of the most dangerous men, who were greatly feared in their day, are little heard of now. They were not theatrical enough in their ways of killing or they had no gang to crack them up. They never got the great names that some men did who were afraid of them. Such a man was Patterson, from Mississippi—Ferdinand Patterson—who figured in San Francisco and Nevada and afterward in Oregon. He was what is known in the far west as a white-eyed man—that is, his eyes were of a gray tint, so pale as to seem almost white. He was a powerfully built man, handy with weapons, and he came as near being perfectly fearless as a man can be. I remember him at his trial for the killing of Capt. Staples at Portland, Ore. The captain had headed a crowd to Lynch Patterson for his secession sentiments. Feeling ran high against Patterson, it being in the time of the civil war, and the sentiment in Oregon being for the union. When he was acquitted, as he was, after an exciting trial, on the ground of self-defense, it was believed that he would never leave the court room alive, but he passed through the hostile crowd without the sign of fear, with such a presence that no one molested him. I can compare his look only with that of a lion. His shooting of Pinkham, the mining man, was another famous killing. It began by his insulting Pinkham for his northern sentiments. Patterson pulled his pistol and fired. Patterson stooped, dodging the flash, as the saying is, and then sent in the mortal shot. He was a bully through and through. Yet he was capable of being magnanimous. On one occasion a man fired at him, the bullet striking him fairly in the forehead. Instead of dropping, as any other man would have done, he grappled with the man, threw him, and took away his pistol.

"Spare me for my wife's sake," he cried. Patterson let him up. 'Run for a doctor,' he commanded. 'If I die, I'll haunt you.'

"The story that I particularly wanted to tell when I began to talk about Patterson shows his character in its best light. It was in Montana and there had been a mining town started in the region then known as the Bill McGowan country. People were flocking there and the roads were strung with all sorts of outfits hustling along to be first on the ground. I was on my way there to start a faro bank and had stopped for dinner at a roadside place where a man had a sort of hotel. Among the dozen or more wagon outfits drawn up before the corral was a rickety, canvas-topped concern, belonging to an old man who was coming out with his family to begin life anew in a new country. There were the old woman and half a dozen girls, but only one son, a weak-looking stripling perhaps 18 years old, who didn't count in what took place. It was a pretty poor looking outfit, but they had a pair of good horses, which was about all they had in the world, for the rest of their equipment couldn't have been auctioned off for \$50. I had passed them on the road, and now, when I came out doors after dinner, I found them in a peck of trouble, the women crying and the old man looking forlorn and helpless. In place of the two horses I had seen them driving back on the trail, there stood two broken-down plugs that had been next to worthless to start with, and had been driven nearly to death besides.

"They were good sort of people, so I asked them what the trouble was, and they told me. They had made their mooning at the well, and were just hitching the horses to the wagons ready to start on again, when three men, who had arrived in a wagon about the same time with them, came over heading the two plugs, and had left their broken down horses and taken away the two good ones. When the old man protested against being robbed, one of them drew a pistol and threatened to smash him over the head with it if he didn't shut up. This was their story, and I had only to look at them to know that they told the truth. There was no law in the country then, they had no friends, and they were not strong enough to defend themselves; so there they were, plundered and the same as left afoot on the trail, with no help for it that they could see. As they told their story there were the three men, in full view, getting ready to harness the stolen horses into their wagon and laughing in high glee among themselves.

"I didn't like to leave the emigrants in that plight, and I had no crowd with me, and I couldn't very well go up against three men, particularly in another party's quarrel. But I talked with the family a little to cheer them up, and had just handed the old woman a five-dollar gold piece, when Fred Patterson came riding up, having stopped to water his horse at the well. He nodded to me, and was going to ride on, but I stopped him, and told him what had happened to the emigrants.

"Fred, I said, 'I'm not equal to tackling three men like those, but you are. Can't you do something to make them give the old man his horses back again?'

"He listened to all I had to say without a word or a change in his face. When I had got through speaking he gathered up his bridle rein and started on. 'He won't interfere,' I said to myself. 'It's all up with the old man's horses.' But in a minute more he turned off the trail, dismounted, threw his bridle rein over a part of the corral, and walked back to where we were as deliberate and calm as a man could be.

"Are those the men, and are those horses yours?" he asked the old man, looking over to where the three men were.

"They be—before God," said the old man.

"With the same coolness and deliberation as before Patterson walked over to where the men were. Two of them were just going to lead the horses to the wagon to hitch them up; the third one was fixing some packages under the seat. All of them were tough-looking customers, well-beeled with firearms.

"What are you doing with those horses?" said Patterson. He spoke quietly, but there was something in his tone that made the two men by the horses stop and look at him as if they had been shocked by electricity.

"What have you got to say about it?" said one of the men. But, bold as he tried to be, his voice fell and trembled before the look in Patterson's eye. The man by the wagon was fumbling under the seat.

"You stole them from that old man! Take them back to him!" said Patterson, and as he spoke the man by the wagon pulled a shotgun from under the seat and cocked it. I've no doubt Patterson was watching him from the corner of his eye, but he did not turn his head from the two men he was talking to. Like a flash his pistol came out and cracked, and the man went down across the wagon tongue, with the gun under him, and lay there till they took him up to bury him. Patterson's eye never left the two men, who stood pale and shaking, afraid to draw their guns. Shifting his pistol to his left hand, he reached up to the wagon box and took down the whip. With its heavy leather braided lash he cut each of the two men across the face with all his force.

"Take those horses back to the owner!" he commanded. And the two men led the horses back to the old man's wagon. Patterson followed, lashing them with the whip at every step. It was a great sight the way those fellows jumped and writhed and yelled and begged for mercy, the great welts rising on their heads and faces where the whip fell. The horses, frightened at the swish of the whip, were rearing



"TAKE THOSE HORSES BACK."

and jumping, but the men on their lives didn't dare to let them break away, for Patterson carried his pistol in his left hand, and they had just seen what had happened to their partner. They got to the old man's wagon.

"Hitch 'em up," said Patterson, and the fellows had to hitch those plunging horses to the wagon, with the whip falling on them as a reminder when anything went wrong. At last the horses were harnessed to the wagon. Patterson made the two fellows stand at their heads until the horses had got quieted down. Then he said to them:

"I'm going on to the Bill McGowan camp. If I see either of you two hounds there I'll kill you on sight. Now git!"

"At his words the two men turned and ran as if they were glad of the chance to get away, looking now and then over their shoulders to see if Patterson meant to turn loose on them with his pistol. They didn't mean to take any more chances, but kept right on running as long as we could see them. Patterson spoke just once more to the old man.

"If they ever bother you again, come to me," he said. Then he walked, as cool as if nothing had happened, to where his horse was, mounted and rode on his way. But he carried with him a pint flask of whiskey that I dropped into his coat pocket before he started. The two fellows that Patterson had whipped I never saw again, but the old man and his family got to the mining camp all right, and they started a boarding house and did well.

"Patterson died with his boots on, as most men do who take to the gun. He was sitting in a barber's chair being shaved when a man came behind him and shot him in the head. He rose from the chair, staggered to where his coat was hanging, got out his pistol and then fell dead with his pistol in his hand."—N. Y. Sun.

An Important Point.

A little girl, aged nine, called her father to her bedside the other evening. "Papa," said the little diplomat, "I want to ask you advice."

"Well, my dear, what is it about?"

"What do you think it will be best to give me for a birthday present?"—Birthday Bulletin.

They Count.

The pleasing ceremonies of polite people are liable to be about two-thirds show, yet are about as near the golden gate as mankind ever gets.—Tuscan Times.

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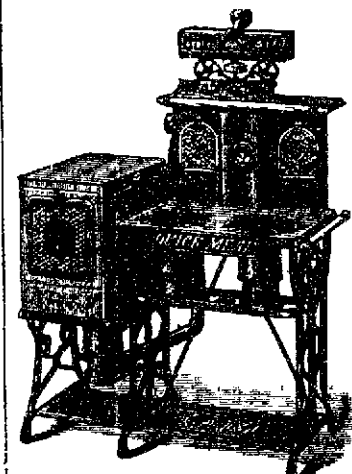
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LOCAL NEWS.
Brown's Brownies, Columbia Fete.
Several amateur base ball games are in progress this afternoon.
Irwin's kola celery compound is strengthening. 75 cents a bottle.
Band concert at Riverside park Sunday afternoon. It will begin at about 1:30 o'clock.
The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weigand are the best in town. Each 25¢.
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Special prices on Roger & Gallet's violins, sixty-five cents per ounce. West's Drug store.—13d1w

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Remember that you can always save money at the C. B. Prescott music house. There you will find only first class pianos and organs. Step in and see them. The prices will suit you.

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arp 18-d1w

In the circuit court yesterday Mrs. Justice Shultz by her attorneys, LeForge & Lee, began proceedings for divorce from her husband, Archibald Shultz. The bill declares that she was married to him on Oct. 23, 1895, and that they lived together until June 31, 1896, when, becoming convinced of his infidelity, she left him.

Friday night at 9:30 o'clock Miss Stella Kidder died at the home of G. W. Stoner at La Place. She had been sick a long time with consumption. She was well known in Decatur. Besides a brother, Will D. Kidder of North Dakota, she leaves an aunt, Mrs. L. C. Currier of Macon, and two cousins, Mrs. Fannie Nye and Miss Carrie Knapp of Decatur.

No better soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hardest of any coal within 100 miles of Decatur and the harder the coal the longer it will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in stock at market price. Up town office, Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800 North Broadway, old phone 483, new phone 435. M. F. Metz.—31-d1w

Popular Entertainment.
The choir of St. James' German Catholic church will give another one of their popular musical and dramatic entertainments on Tuesday, May 18, at Turner hall, commencing at 8 p. m. Everybody invited. Admission 25 cents.—1d1w

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A SUMMER CARNIVAL.
Bloomington Undertakes One of the Most Ambitious Enterprises in the History of Central Illinois.
Bloomington has planned what promises to be a decided novelty for this season. It is a carnival to take place Saturday, May 29, and will embody the most striking feature of the New Orleans Mardi Gras and the St. Louis Villedel'Prophete. There will be a forenoon parade, with scores of floats made by the artist who designed the chief features of the Villedel'Prophete display. The afternoon will be given over to all sorts of prize amusements and in the evening there will be an illuminated parade and Mardi Gras ball. The citizens of Bloomington pay the expenses and there will be no admission fees. The railroads seem disposed to favor such enterprises and have given the cheapest round trip rates ever quoted. Bloomington from its wealth of shade trees is known as the "Evergreen City," and green is to be the motive of the decorations. The whole city will be swathed in green from the neighboring woods.

VOTED TO ISSUE BONDS.
Macon Will Build an \$8000 Public School Building.
An election of considerable importance to the educational interests of the city of Macon and vicinity was held at Macon on Friday. The proposition voted upon was that four per cent school bonds to the amount of \$8000 be issued, the money to be used in the erection of a handsome new building to take the place of the one destroyed by fire a few months ago.

There were 35 votes cast—59 for the proposition, 35 against. The bonds will issue and now Macon will have a new building well appointed for school purposes.
Special Services.
Sunday evening services of an especially interesting nature will be held at the Congregational church. The exercises will be under the auspices of the Young Men's Sunday Evening club. The program will be as follows:
Organ Voluntary, "Cavatina," Rapp—Miss Frances Calk.
Open Chant—Choir.
Prayer—Rev. W. C. Miller.
Vocal Solo, "Village Shrine," Alfred Rawling—Ass Somerville.
Offertory, selection—Miss Calk.
Vocal Solo—Mrs. Alice Freeman-Spalding.
"Ideal Education of the Body"—Dr. H. C. Jones.
Hymn—"The Heavens Declare Him."
"Ideal Education of the Mind"—E. A. Gastman.
Hymn—"Rock of Ages."
"Ideal Education of the Soul"—Rev. Miller.
Benediction.
Postlude, March by Dudley Buck—Miss Calk.

A Broken Arm.
J. A. Mason, living at 1059 North Morgan street, met with a painful accident yesterday. He was helping Mr. Sampson, the sewer inspector, and at the time of the accident was in the buggy holding the horse while Mr. Sampson went into the city yards for some tools when the horse became frightened and began kicking and struck Mr. Mason upon his left arm, breaking it near the wrist. Mr. Mason was very plucky and held on to the horse with his arm broken until assistance came. Dr. Laurens Ecos was called and set the broken arm.

Literary.
The Sapphonian society met at the high school yesterday afternoon. This was the program:
Vocal Solo—Bessie Wilson.
Essay—Lola Ayers.
Piano Duet—Marguerite and Irene Wiesel.
Recitation—Fay Birks.
Query Box—Pearl Jeffers.
Vocal Trio—Misses Greene, Williams and Birks.
Vocal Solo—Grace Johnson.
Critic's Report—Myrtle Flint.

Decatur To Be In It.
The record of entries at the Illinois University at Champaign shows thirty-four high schools throughout the state entered for the interscholastic field meet on Illinois field May 23. This is a large number than ever before contested in this popular meet, which is given annually under the auspices of the University of Illinois Athletic association. The Decatur high school will have a number of competitors at the meet, and a number of them hope to return with laurels.

Eight Graduates at Moweaqua.
Friday night the fourth annual commencement exercises of the Moweaqua high school were held in the opera house. The graduating class, eight in number, is as follows: Ray C. Kautz, Wm. McKee, Maud Haslam, Thomas L. Griffith, Mary S. Kautz, George A. Sibert, Harlan R. Gregory and Elizabeth V. Snyder, the last named being the valedictorian.

Decatur Boy at Dallas.
Harry Hatch, son of W. H. Hatch, and nephew of William B. Newell of this city, has just been appointed city passenger and ticket agent of the Texas and Pacific Railway company at Dallas, Texas. Harry is a native of Decatur. His father is engaged in business at Dallas.

Hall's Road.
Warrensburg Enterprise: C. B. Hall gave a \$3500 bond Saturday night to qualify as postmaster. Mrs. F. G. Winslow and Emory Batschelder were the sureties, the former giving her property valuation at \$5000, the latter at \$5000.

Reported Hog Cholera at Cerro Gordo.
Something resembling cholera has broken out among the hogs in the neighborhood of Cerro Gordo, and a large number of them have died from the effects of the disease the past week or so. A farmer living in that vicinity shipped in several car loads of hogs from Missouri some months ago, and the disease developed among them first. Consequently it is thought they brought it with them from Missouri. All possible precautions are being taken to prevent a spread of the disease, and it is thought that it can be checked.

Steepest Man in Logan County.
Clinton Register: L. K. Scroggin, of Mt. Pulaski, and father-in-law of Banker Suttle of Kenney, has wealth estimated at \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000. He was born in Gallatin county in 1819, and is 78 years old. His father left the earth, ten children and 600 acres of land in 1859. Logan county's richest man owns 9000 acres in Logan county, and 7000 acres in other parts of Illinois, and in Kansas and Nebraska. He is interested in banks in Sullivan, Mt. Pulaski and Kenney. He attributes his success to industry, total abstinence from tobacco and whisky and denying himself luxuries.

Soldiers on the Streets.
The Decatur Guards commanded by Captain Cassell had a street drill last night and later completed arrangements for the march tonight at 10 o'clock for the town of Forsyth, seven miles north of the city. They will take tents and a day's rations. The company will camp in Forsyth all day Sunday and come back Sunday evening. It is expected that they will attend church at Forsyth or get one of the local preachers to talk to them in camp.

The Edward Page Gaston lecture for the night of May 24 was talked over at length. Dr. S. J. Bumstead is to make a preliminary talk and introduce the speaker.

Sold for \$12000.
T. T. Springer has traded his department store on North Water street to J. O. Calvin of Wayne county, Illinois, for a large fruit and grain farm near Fairfield. The trading place of the stock and farm were both placed at \$12,000. Mr. Funk, manager for Mr. Calvin, took possession of the store this morning and the goods will be closed out. Mr. Calvin is a successful business man in his locality and also prominent in politics. The trade was made by S. R. Saffern, who says that he has sold and traded over \$50,000 worth of farm and city real estate within the last eight months, which is not a bad showing considering the close times.

Found Hidden Money.
Forsyth Item in the Warrensburg Times: "In searching the house of Harmon Nichols, the old bachelor who died here recently, over \$500 in money and good notes were found hidden away, some in a wardrobe, some in a fruit jar, some in the loft, \$200 in an old scrap iron box and small amounts in various other places; among the last was \$100 in gold and eight Prussian Thalers; some of the money being over 100 years old. It is doubtful if it has all been found as a rough diagram drawn on a scrap of paper would indicate that there is \$1000 buried on the place but the pointers given by the diagram are too indefinite to tell with any certainty where it is."

Base Ball.
The cigarmakers and printers are on the Wabash diamond this afternoon playing a challenge game for the championship of the world.

Dougherty and Loughton want to see big crowds at the ball park May 22 and 23, when the Dummies from Kenney will play trial games with a St. Louis club. If the Dummies play first class ball they will be engaged for the season and the park will be leased.

The baseball nine of the Wabash car shops met the nine from Lima & Scruggs last evening and in a five-inning game beat them by a score of 5 to 2. The game was played at the Cassell grounds and was a good one. The players and their positions follow: Wabash—Catcher, Kitchin; p., Chandler; 1b, Carter; 2b, Pater; 3b, Humble; ss, Boettger; lf, McInrow; cf, Mitchell; rf, A. Mitchell. Lima & Scruggs—Catcher, W. Clark; p., Donnelly; 1b, Brandon; 2b, Ott; 3b, Scroggus; ss, F. Clark; lf, Young; cf, Bramble; rf, Freeman.

THE STATE WHEEL MEET.
The Illinois Division, L. A. W., Speeders, to Assemble at Springfield.

Decatur cyclists will be gratified to learn that the state meeting of the L. A. W. will be held at Springfield. Chicago was after the meet also, and had partly arranged to hold the meeting at Washington park, July 8-5. The Danville Cycling club also wanted the meet and several weeks ago the Springfield wheelmen gave up hope of securing it, thinking that Chief Consul Patee had assigned it to Danville. They have just received information, however, from Patee that they may have it and are already making preparations for the entertainment of the visitors. About \$1200 in prizes will be given and prizes sufficiently valuable to induce entries from all over the country will be offered. Various kinds of entertainment for visitors will be provided for the hundreds of visiting wheelmen.

Just four weeks from Monday and Barum & Bailey's big show will be at the race track. It comes from Danville and will go to Quincy; from Quincy to Bushnell, Peoria, Champaign and then into Chicago.

FOOLED THE CROWD.

Sheriff Mason Sprung the Trap on Hartman at an Early Hour.
A large crowd was considerably disappointed at Paxton yesterday. They had gathered in the town to be present at the hanging of Fred Hartman, who killed Mrs. Gedde. The order of the court in passing sentence was that Hartman should be executed between sun up and sun down on May 14. The sheriff said nothing, except to those to whom he had given tickets of admission, who were notified to appear at the jail not later than 7 a. m. Gedde, the husband of the murdered woman, was a witness of the death of Hartman on the gallows. The drop fell at 7:19 a. m., and death was instant. The neck was broken. Roy. Mr. Wilson and Prof. Blome were on the scaffold with the condemned man who answered that he had been converted through the efforts of Mr. Wilson. Sheriff Johnson of Peoria, Deputy Sheriff James Sloan of Danville, and Sheriff Ed Ireland of Watseka, assisted Sheriff Mason. As the black cap was being lowered over Hartman's head he groaned and sobbed, and in a broken voice cried out "Good bye, everybody; good bye, everybody; good bye." Sheriff Mason, who is 73 years of age, and a small man, lifted a hand ax and cut the rope which caused the trap to fall. Dr. J. E. Ragsdale of Gibson City, and S. M. Wylie of Paxton, were the physicians.

Last Words.
Hartman prepared a statement for the public. It was read by Prof. Blome, as follows:
"I must die and find my death in this way. I hold no malice towards anyone. I freely forgive as I ask God for Christ sake to forgive me. Think not that I must close my lips, because another speaks for me. I am not guilty of the crime for which I die. I leave it all with God, who in the judgment day will give each the reward of his deeds. I believe that one who does not confess to God his sins is eternally lost. I have confessed to God and trust in him. The rich, instead of spending their money for the theatre and the opera, should build hospitals and almshouses for the poor. Some day those who spend money in this way may find themselves in the condition of the rich man who despised the poor Lazarus. I am glad that I am so near the end. I ask that my body be sent to Grand Haven, Mich., and placed beside that of my wife and child. Through Rev. M. G. Wilson's efforts I have been saved. I thank him for his kindness."

The Coffin.
Hartman had but few requests to make. At 9 o'clock he expressed a desire to see the coffin in which he was to be buried. The coffin was in a vacant cell, covered over with a red blanket, and it was shown to him. He gazed at it a few moments and then burst into tears. He was led back to his cell.

When it became known that Hartman had been hanged at 7:19 the people on the streets, many of whom had come a great distance just to be near the jail and to hear the talk, were more or less disappointed. The people of Paxton are glad the whole thing is over.

Debates at the High School.
During the coming week debates will be held in Miss Coolidge's classes as follows:
Monday, fourth hour class—"Resolved, That the army accomplished more than the navy in putting down the rebellion." Affirmative, Minnie Meriser and Neta Hughey. Negative, John Arthur and Kittle Kincaid.
Tuesday, first hour class—"Resolved, That the achievement of the American people was greater in gaining independence than the suppressing of the rebellion." Affirmative, Marshall Stookey and Austin Fox. Negative, Edna Snick and Sadie Fitzpatrick.
Wednesday, fourth hour class—"Resolved, That there should be an educational qualification for voters." Affirmative, Robert Metz and Martha Batschelder. Negative, Besse Fife and Albert Maclellens.
Thursday, first hour class—"Resolved, That country life is preferable to city life." Affirmative, Patricia Hunt and Marie Mooney. Negative, Nora Lyons and Edward Wood.

Miss Freeman's third hour civil government class will have a debate next Friday on the question, "Resolved, That a board of three, chosen by the state legislature, should have the power of pardoning criminals." Affirmative, Thomas Hoskins and Albert Keeler. Negative, Nellie Boutwell and Aileen McMurry.

The first band concert of the season will be given at Riverside park Sunday afternoon, beginning at 1:30 o'clock. Plan to hear the music.—13d-8t

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SATURDAY, MAY 15, 1897.

REPUBLICAN JUDICIAL TICKET.

For Judge of the 2d Supreme District.
JACOB W. WILKIN, of Vermilion.
 (Election June 7.)

For Judges of the Sixth Circuit.
 (Three to elect—Election June 7.)
W. G. COCHRAN, of Moultrie.
E. F. WRIGHT, of Champaign.
E. F. VAIL, of Macon.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, May 15.—Fair; warmer to-night and Sunday; variable winds.

Three commanders like General Smolenski under a skillful chief would have brought the Greeks out of the campaign with some honor to the nation.

There is great danger that the Graeco-Turkish war will not serve the Democratic party as a cause for better times after the business of the country is put on its feet again by the operations of a protective tariff.

It is proposed to feed the poor of London on the day of the queen's jubilee parade. This is a happy forethought and will add greatly to the volume of cheers. Any person can about beat when his stomach is not craving something to digest.

A Lammany leader says they have no apologies to make for supporting Democratic principles. This may sound very well, but if the same orator were required to declare what are Democratic principles, since the campaign last fall, he would have to make several apologies to Democrats who would interrupt him before he had performed the task.

The judicial election will take place June 7. This is only three weeks from Monday. Few voters are giving the matter any attention and yet it is one of the most important elections we have. There will be elected at that time in this district a supreme judge and three circuit judges. These are important officials and all voters should feel an interest in giving their choice at the ballot box for some of the men nominated. The Republican nominees are Judge Wilkin, the present incumbent for the supreme bench, and for circuit judges Judges Wright of Champaign, and Vail of our own city, and Hon. W. G. Cochran of Sullivan. These are good and tried men and should be re-elected. They will no doubt be elected but under a republican form of government as good a vote should be polled as in any general election, and there would be, if men valued the rights of American citizenship as they should. No free man can excuse himself for failure to vote at all elections unless he is incapacitated through sickness. Men should charge their minds with this coming election and arrange to be at the polls and deposit their votes Monday, June 7.

An order issued by Department Commander Schimpf says the legal memorial day in this state is Monday this year as the 30th of May falls on Sunday but those who have arranged to hold services on Saturday may go on with the services as arranged and those who elect to hold their services on the more sacred day, Sunday, can do so without violating any law. This is a generous and proper view to take of the solemn festival of strewing flowers upon the graves of those who fell in defense of the Union and those who defended it and have died in the days of peace since they established the principle that the national government is and must be supreme. It is well that the services here have been set for Sunday, May 30th. All the people will have an opportunity to take part in the exercises and witness the memorializing of the dead by strewing flowers upon their graves and send up prayers that if again the country needs defenders, men as loyal as those who defended it in the 40's will, as they did, rend asunder party ties and cast aside the pursuits and pleasures of civil life and exchange them for the hardships of the camp, the toils of the march, and the death and wounds of the battlefield or the waste of fever in the hospital. The country may never again need defenders in this sense but when it does need them it must have men who are imbued with a love of country so intense as to be willing to exchange their lives for its honor or its salvation.

SENTIMENT IN THE SENATE.

Morgan Will Not Change His Resolution—Anticipated Opposition.

Washington, May 15.—Senator Morgan said yesterday that the message of the president, if it should apply only to relief measures in the way of food and clothing, would not cause him to deviate from his purpose of pressing his resolution for the recognition of a state of war, as he had given notice he would do before it was

assumed that the president would send in such a message. The friends of the Morgan resolution will not antagonize measures contemplating temporary relief, but they are not disposed to accept such measures in place of a more general and a far reaching declaration.

The opposition also probably will acquiesce in a resolution appropriating money to relieve immediate wants. Senator Hale, who is generally recognized as the leader of the opposition to all measures looking to a general declaration in the Cuban interest, is absent from the city, but Senator White, who also opposes such measures as a rule, said yesterday that while there were objections to extending our charity to such an extent, he would be disposed to offer no opposition to such a measure. Some of the pro-Cubans take the position that any supplies sent to Cuba would merely aid the Spanish cause, as they would practically amount to a contribution to Spain. Hence, there is a possibility of opposition, even to the proposed charity.

Senator Morgan has no purpose of changing the form of his resolution in any respect. "I was fully aware of the situation when I prepared the resolution," he said yesterday, "and therefore find in the recent publications in regard to it no reason for altering my plans."

TRYING TO SAVE DURRANT'S LIFE.

Arguments for Executive Clemency—Rosenberg's Alleged Confession.

Sacramento, Cal., May 15.—If external appearances go for anything, Governor Budd was not favorably impressed by the arguments advanced by Durrant's attorneys in their plea for executive clemency in behalf of the condemned murderer of Blanche Lamont. His counsel reviewed at length the testimony given by all the prosecuting witnesses at the trial, endeavoring to discredit the evidence, and to show that Durrant had been convicted on insufficient evidence. It was urged that Durrant's trial had not been fair; that public sentiment had been aroused against him, and that the newspapers had so prejudiced Durrant's case that had any juror voted not guilty he would have been mobbed. The prisoner's counsel declared that had Durrant been tried first for the murder of Minnie Williams, the real murderer would have been discovered. Absolutely no credence was apparently placed by any one, unless by the prisoner's attorneys, upon the alleged confession of Convict John Rosenberg, of San Quentin prison, who declared he had murdered Blanche Lamont for \$700 at the instigation of a stranger. The governor investigated the statements contained in Rosenberg's affidavits, and Chief of Police Lees of San Francisco, also sent the governor the result of his inquiry. Rosenberg came from Hamburg to San Francisco on the British steamer Hopsider, arriving in San Francisco on November 6, 1895, six months after the Emanuel church murders occurred. An investigation will probably be made to ascertain if possible what led to Rosenberg's alleged confession. He was committed to San Quentin on April 17, 1897, ten days after Durrant arrived there.

The President and Cuba.

Washington, May 15.—Considering the ways and means to assist Americans in Cuba who are destitute owing to the war the administration is considering a plan to bring such as desire back to the United States. This will require action by congress. The president is now communicating with various consul officers in the island in regard to the matter. As far as known officially through reports of consuls there are now between 150 and 200 destitute Americans there. A majority are farmers, forced into the towns on Weyler's orders. It is stated that the Spaniards favor the idea and promise all assistance possible to carry it out.

Suicide of an Ex-City Treasurer.

Belleville, Ill., May 15.—John E. Doebling, ex-city treasurer, suicided by hanging this afternoon. His accounts as treasurer are correct, but he had overdrawn his salary, \$500 which he had to make good this week. He was unable to do so, and it is thought rather than face the situation he took his life. It is probable that other business embarrassments were partly responsible for the act. He was 48 years old and the father of a large family.

Woman Murdered.

Deadwood, S. D., May 15.—Mrs. Emma Brown, restaurant keeper, was found murdered this morning. Charles Brown, the cook and a negro, were arrested on suspicion, the object being robbery.

Hoopeston is to have a large department store, managed by W. A. Flint, formerly of Lincoln.

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Blue Mound—G. D. Fletcher.

Illinoi—Emory J. Davis.

Oakley—Frank Hiler.

Harristown—L. A. Hinestend and E. M. Moore.

Long Creek—G. W. Housum and J. H. Kizer.

Mt. Zion—Leslie Beldon, T. F. Billy and E. B. Cowes.

South Macon—Fred Shephard.

Niantic—Enoch Martin.

South Wheland—Eli C. Burd.

The Canner Case.

The suit to remove J. A. Dawson from the position of assignee of L. E. Canner was continued before Judge Hammer in the county court this morning. Attorney Buckingham examined John A. Dawson again and the evidence was closed. The case will come up again next Thursday when the arguments will be made.

Circuit Court.

This morning Judge Vail in the circuit court heard a large number of motions in common law and chancery cases. Court adjourned until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Will Filed.

The will of the late Susannah Bushart was probated in the county court this morning. The deceased bequeathed all her household goods to her daughter, Ella M. Bushart. She further directs that \$100 shall be expended for a tombstone to be erected over her grave. The balance of her property, real and personal, is to be sold and then divided equally between the following children, Jacob M., Abram, William, David and Ella Bushart, and Mary M. Beyer, Susan K. Fippa and Eliza Burrows. A. H. Mills was appointed as executor and gave bonds for \$15,000.

Certificate of Character.

In the county court today Joseph Housum was issued a certificate of good moral character. He will soon take the examination for admittance to the bar.

MEMORIAL DAY SPEAKERS.

Persons Who Have Been Assigned to Make Addresses in the Different Schools of the City.

The following persons have been appointed by the G. A. R. and W. R. C. to speak at the different schools of the city on Memorial Day. Most of the schools will hold their exercises at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon:

St. Theresa's Academy—John R. Fitzgerald, Captain George S. Duriee and Mrs. Luther Douglas.

St. Patrick's Parish School—Albert E. Park, K. Harwood and Mrs. Anna E. Hopping.

German Catholic School—Major J. G. Badenhausen, Alexander McIntosh and Myra Mark.

H. B. Durfee—James O'Mara, Hon. W. C. Johns and Mrs. Emma L. Brown.

Sangamon Street—J. T. Whitley, Captain R. P. Lytle and Mrs. Elizabeth Adams.

Warren Street—Rev. A. M. Dancy, D. M. Landis and Mrs. Effie R. Kennedy.

Marrietta Street—Rev. N. B. Spayd, Dr. T. B. Spalding and Mrs. S. H. Abel.

Church Street—Rev. W. F. Gilmore, C. M. Imboden and Mrs. Nora Badenhausen.

Wood Street—Colonel J. M. Clockey, Captain T. J. Abel and Miss Chloce Murphy.

Jackson Street—Dr. S. J. Bumstead, Major F. L. Hays and Mrs. Sarah Pringle.

Jasper Street—Rev. L. C. Hayes, Dr. J. M. Blythe and Mrs. India Hill.

Oakland Avenue—Rev. W. C. Miller, T. Peniwell and Mrs. Emma Metz.

Pugh Street—A. H. Mills, Captain I. N. Martin and Mrs. Jeanette Martin.

High School—Rev. D. F. Howe, Robert I. Hunt and Mrs. K. Harwood.

The Sunday School Union.

There will be a meeting of the Sunday school union of Decatur at Grace M. E. church on Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Echoes from the convention at Belleville will be given by the persons who attended from this county.

All pastors, officers, teachers and others interested in Sunday school work, are cordially invited to be present. Important business will be considered. A. H. Mills, President.

Threatened to Kill His Wife.

T. O. Morgan was before Justice Hardy today to answer a charge of threatening to kill his wife. His case was set for Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. He was required to give a bond of \$200 but he did not furnish it and went to jail. He will probably give bond tonight.

Afraid of the Greeks.

Domokus, Thessaly, May 15.—A detachment of Turkish cavalry appeared here at daybreak this morning, but retired on seeing the Greek outposts. The Turks have burned all villages around Pharsalos.

Croup and whooping cough are childhood's terrors; but like throat pneumonia, bronchitis, and other throat and lung troubles, can be quickly cured by using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

The Season's Hats.

Women Should Study the Colors and Their Combinations.

Hats, this season, are beautiful as well as brilliant. The combinations of colors which are considered stylish are also tasteful, which is not always the case. A hat which would be beautiful on a brunette with a rich complexion or on a very fair woman with red tints in her hair, is of a soft dove-colored straw, with dove-colored wings and a top of white at one side, while on the top of the crown is a mass of brilliant red geranium blossoms. The red is one of those peculiar shades more of a cerise than anything else. Another hat has the same soft dove color, and no relieving brightness.

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A delicate, summer-rich-looking hat is of pale green straw, and is massed with old-fashioned double white and pale yellow roses. Brilliant red hats are massed with red hollyhocks and fluffily with the illusion—in this case of red—which appears on so many hats. The red hat is quite as becoming to the blonde whom it exactly suits as to the brunette. Red hats which have a more decided style have, in addition to the flowers, large black plumes. A beautiful hat of hatter-crop-yellow straw is trimmed with black. Black roses are massed under the rim at the back and fall over the hair, and large black plumes stand on the crown. The under side of the rim is faced with either black or white lace or has an edge of black straw.

A large hat, which will appeal to the sympathies of bird lovers, is massed with bluish roses and folds of soft velvet of the same shade. On one side of the hat is a bird, also of the same soft pink color. He is partially lying on his side on the velvet, and has an appealing expression. The arrangement of silk and ribbon bows, if they may be called such, is hideous this year. The soft silks are arranged to stand high in the air. Part of the distance on its ascent it is held tightly together and tied once or twice. At the top it extends more or less, according to the architectural ideas of the individual milliner. The more stylish the milliner the higher and more angular these top pieces become. There is nothing like them in nature or art. They are not beautiful, but they are certainly stylish. On a fine-looking New York girl, with her clear-cut, fine-skinned face and magnificent figure, they are everything that is to be admired.

It is difficult for a plain woman to make a choice from among the pronounced colors of the day. She loses herself often in the brilliancy of her bonnet. The dull colors are apt to suit her better. Her dress requires more study than that of a prettier woman, but if she does not give up in despair and select her hats because they are pretty in themselves, not as a suitable adjunct to her own ensemble, she can do much for herself.—N. Y. Times.

FRILLS OF FASHION.

For Feminine Toilets During the Coming Season.

Something called Astrakhan lace is set forth as a novelty, and it is made of silk, very airy and light like old-fashioned Honiton, with a pattern prettily defined by close loops of silk.

Very desirable hats of Java and Panama straw, trimmed with plain bands of ribbon and stiff quills, are now in evidence in the shops. They are to be worn for cycling and all other outdoor sports and are very stylish with the simple tailor-made gown.

Some Parisian authority is responsible for the announcement that gloves embroidered with black are considered out of date.

Pouched bodices have vigorously renewed their popularity, and some of the latest models are pouched at the back as well as the front. A wide folded belt is the usual accompaniment, and it should be made of black satin if you would look slender.

It seems that ears are decidedly out of fashion for women in Paris except for hearing purposes, as the hair is drawn to cover them so completely that there is no trace of their existence left.

The use of sun plaiting is an important feature of fashion this season. Plaited skirts of silk, net, lace and chiffon, which are more and more in evidence all the time, are only a beginning on the list of its many uses. Accordian-plaited silk and laces form our capes, our gowns, and a pretty novelty is a short jersey saque coat of accordeon-plaited black mousseline de soie over a plain lining of rose-colored silk. Little boleros are also made in this way. It appears in millinery, especially on children's hats, the brims being often made of plaited satin striped chiffon, and for the skirts of children's dresses it has no equal.

Bright red silk parasols will be very popular this season, and the old Victorian style with fringe around the edge have come back again.—N. Y. Sun.

Spetiales.

Mix one pint flour with half pint milk, add half teaspoonful salt, one tablespoonful melted butter measured after it is melted, and two eggs; beat with a spoon five minutes, then put the dough into a small chopping board; have a large saucepan of boiling water over the fire, add half tablespoonful salt, then cut with a knife small portions from the dough into the boiling water, boil five minutes, drain them in a colander; put the spetzles in a hot dish; fry half cupful grated bread crumbs light brown in butter, pour them over the spetzles and serve.—Brooklyn Eagle

MARKET REPORT.

BY B. Z. TAYLOR.

Wheat opened a little higher, was steady and then declined, with a reaction after the drop. The trade was small, and the market was just about as dull as a razor that hasn't been sharpened or honed for a couple of months, while features were nil. Consols were 113½ for money and 113¼ for account. Liverpool reported the close as steady and unchanged from the close of yesterday. London reported wheat cargoes very steady, with warmer weather in England and France. Berlin, as usual, was one mark lower. The world's wheat shipments are indicated as being 5,200,000 bushels, the Argentine wheat shipments being 80,000 bushels. The fact that Liverpool was unchanged, in the face of the decline on this side yesterday, was regarded as bullish, and this was the main cause for the higher opening, but the weather was favorable and the northwestern receipts were large, and these two items offset the steadiness on the other side. The report comes from Washington that the Cuban situation is more critical than ever, as it is averred that unless President McKinley acts before 3 p. m. Monday the Morgan resolution will be rushed through and the senate and house will recognize the belligerency of the Cubans, and in ten days, declare the independence of the island. This is an easy prediction to make, under the circumstances, as it is well known, in Washington, at least, that the president's Cuban message will be sent to the senate on Monday, having been deferred from last week in order to allow the consuls in Cuba to make fuller reports on the condition of affairs in the island. It is reported from Constantinople that the "un-speakable Turk" is at last about to break silence and demand 16,000,000 pounds (\$260,000,000) indemnity from Greece. "Let him demand and demand." Minneapolis and Duluth got 34¢ today; 33¢ a week ago; 337¢ a year ago.

Corn opened a little higher and sold off with wheat and failed to get much of a reaction. Trade, fair; market, far from inactive. Cables were higher. Contract today. Wheat, 5 cars; corn, 54 cars. Oats opened where they left off yesterday and dropped with the rest of the markets. Trade not small and markets not inactive, but there were no features to it. Net result of the day was a loss. Contract, 30.

Provisions opened where they left off, but they took a drop on the large estimates of hogs for Monday. Trade, fair; market not inactive.

The New York Banks.

New York, May 15.—The weekly statement shows that the banks' reserves have increased \$3,095,000. They now hold

\$14,450,000 in excess of the legal requirements.

New York.

New York, May 15.—July wheat, 70¢; corn, 30½¢; oats, 22½¢.

St. Louis, May 15.—Wheat, cash, 77½¢; July, 77½¢.

Corn, cash, 22¢; July, 22½¢.

Oats, cash, 20½¢; July, 19¢.

Other Quotations.

Chicago, May 15.—Butter, steady.

creameries, 10 and 14½¢; dairies, 11¢.

Eggs, steady, 81¢.

Poultry, steady; turkeys, 7 and 8¢; chickens, 7¢; ducks, 8¢.

Peoria.

Peoria, May 15.—Corn, firm, steady, new No. 3, 24½¢.

Oats, steady; No. 3 white, nominally, 21 and 22¢.

Rye, dull; unchanged.

Chicago, Ill., May 15.

Wheat—	Open	High	Low	Close
May	74½	74½	74½	74½
July	73½	73½	73½	73½
Sept.	68½	68½	68½	68½
Oct.	64½	64½	64½	64½
Nov.	60½	60½	60½	60½
Dec.	56½	56½	56½	56½
Jan.	52½	52½	52½	52½
Feb.	48½	48½	48½	48½
Mar.	44½	44½	44½	44½
Apr.	40½	40½	40½	40½
May	36½	36½	36½	36½
June	32½	32½	32½	32½
July	28½	28½	28½	28½
Aug.	24½	24½	24½	24½
Sept.	20½	20½	20½	20½
Oct.	16½	16½	16½	16½
Nov.	12½	12½	12½	12½
Dec.	8½	8½	8½	8½
Jan.	4½	4½	4½	4½
Feb.	0½	0½	0½	0½
Mar.	0	0	0	0
Apr.	0	0	0	0
May	0	0	0	0
June	0	0	0	0
July	0	0	0	0
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From the Capital, St. John, Kansas.
Hearing that Dr. J. L. Limes of St. John, Kansas, had used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in his practice with great success, a reporter called upon and interviewed him regarding the matter.

Your reporter found the doctor a very pleasant and affable man of probably fifty years of age. We were much impressed with his manner, as it was kindly and dignified. When we broached the subject of our call, he became enthusiastic at once and proceeded to give us the following for publication:

"My attention had been called to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People by several persons of my acquaintance who had been greatly benefited or entirely cured by their use. I determined to give them a trial in my practice and if they proved to be satisfactory I would adopt them and use them regularly. Since I began prescribing them I have never had cause to regret my determination. I have used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in a number of cases of nervous troubles, neurasthenia, rheumatism, etc., and in every case have been exceptionally well pleased with the results, and I can honestly and conscientiously recommend Pink Pills for the above diseases."

"I shall continue to use them and recommend them to my patients, for I consider there is nothing better for the diseases they are recommended to cure than Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. If you desire to use this for publication you can attach my name. I am well known in this part of Kansas and also in Fayette County, Ohio. I am Secretary of the U. S. Pension Examining Surgeon's Board for Stafford County, Kansas, and Chairman of the Republican County Central Committee for the above named county."

Yours faithfully,
JESSE L. LIMES, M. D.
We also ascertained the Doctor's standing in St. John by a few interviews with prominent people, which we herewith publish along with the Doctor's statement regarding Pink Pills:

"I am well acquainted with Dr. J. L. Limes and know him to be an honorable and straightforward man, and what ever he may say can be relied upon."

E. B. BENEFIELD,
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I have known Dr. J. L. Limes for a number of years and can recommend him as a prominent physician, and a man well liked in this vicinity.

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H. J. CORNWELL,
Editor St. John News.

HEADACHE AND NEURALGIA.
From the Journal, Ottawa, Ill.

Fred Haeblerlin, a shoe dealer, of Ottawa, Ill., can claim rather a unique distinction. He was the first man in Ottawa, Ill., to buy a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. That was three years ago and Mr. Haeblerlin says he has never had cause for regretting that purchase. In a conversation held a few days ago Mr. Haeblerlin said:

"My wife, for a long time was greatly troubled with neuralgia, headache and nervousness. About three years ago, a friend of mine, a traveling man told me to get some of Williams' Pink Pills and have my wife try them. Upon looking up the remedy I noticed that the Chicago papers contained some pretty strong statements in favor of it."

"I went to the drug stores but not a single one of them kept the article. Then I went to Graham & Yentzer's drug store and had George Yentzer send for some of the pills. Well, they came and I took them home to my wife. She started to use them and the effect was marvellously favorable, and her condition began to improve steadily. It was but a short time until the headache had almost wholly disappeared and the general state of her health was much helped. My wife kept on using the pills and likewise kept getting better. In a comparatively short time her condition was more healthy than for several years. It is a wonder that we both became true friends of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills? My wife is a well woman now and we both ascribe that fact to Pink Pills."

"The remedy did so much for us that I have recommended it to ever so many since I got that first box and, if I do say it, I believe I am largely responsible for starting the large sale of the pills in Ottawa. There is not a drug store in the city now that does not sell Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

John Hardin, who is engaged in the tailoring business in Ottawa, says:

"Count me as one who has been benefited by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I have used them for several months for stomach troubles and feel that they have aided a slight attack of rheumatism. Since I took them and built up my system my trouble in that respect has been much bettered, as has also my indigestion. They are a great tonic, and I certainly endorse their use most heartily. I always recommend them to my friends."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are also a specific for troubles peculiar to females, such as suppression, irregularities and all forms of weakness. They build up the blood, and restore the glow of health to pale and sallow cheeks. In men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork or exposure to whatever nature. Pink Pills are sold in boxes (never in loose bulk) at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had of all druggists, or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

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SHE WAITED IN VAIN.

Sought for Years to Avenge Her Husband's Murder.

"When I was last in Arizona," remarked the well-dressed New York traveling salesman to a Star reporter, "I happened upon a bit of news which you newspaper fellows haven't got onto."

"There are good reasons, no doubt, why those out there didn't get it," responded the reporter, "but one here has it now. What is it?"

"I hadn't thought of that," smiled the New Yorker, "and you shall be the first to get it. It only occurred in February, and in a remote locality, so it is not surprising that the details have not been printed. I was met at a small station 25 miles or so out of Phoenix by a customer and friend of mine, who was to drive 15 miles to his place, out in the wilds. About two miles from the end of our journey we met a funeral procession of four or five buckboards a couple of buggies, seven or eight wagons and a dozen people on horseback. My friend stopped, and we took off our hats while the strange-looking procession passed."

"Who is it?" I asked, as we moved on.

"The most remarkable woman in this neighborhood," he replied, and, in response to my further inquiry, he said: "Thirty years ago she was the wife of a miner who had a claim about five miles from here, off in the direction from which the funeral came. She was at that time about 25, and was the mother of four children, the oldest about five years old. They were a thrifty couple, and were in considerably better fix than most of their neighbors. They had moved into that locality on the strength of a rumor that there was gold to be had for the digging, and the husband, who gave his name as Charles Hanby, began the elusive search for the yellow metal. Back of the couple was a story, which nobody in that section knew, but the shadow of it shone through the visit of a stranger who seemed to be convinced that Hanby had a good thing in the mine he was working, and day after day he hung around the miner, watching him as he opened up still more the prospect of wealth."

"One day Mrs. Hanby, who was romantically devoted to her husband, and evidently of much better breeding than he, carried to her husband his dinner, and, as she approached him, though not yet in sight, she called, and he answered, and began saying something to her, which was cut short by the crack of a gun across the gulch, at least a quarter of a mile away. When Mrs. Hanby reached her husband only enough life remained for him to tell her that it was the stranger who had murdered him, and that he would return, and she must wait at the mine and serve him as he had served her husband. An hour later she was found, by her sister, who lived with her, sitting by the mine with her husband's gun resting in the crook of her arm, and staring with fixed eyes down the gulch."

"They coaxed her back to the house as night approached, but she was at her post next morning, and every day for 30 years she waited by that mine for her husband's murderer. Rain or shine, hot or cold, during the hours in which he worked, his widow watched faithfully until a month ago, when her fatal illness came. Gentle at all times, she remained so, unless an effort was made to prevent her going to the mine. Then she became wild and dangerous, and she was permitted to do as she pleased. Nor would she stay in the little cabin they built for her. She would watch as she did that first day, and, though the gun was empty and rusty, she still clung to it, and it was in her arms when she died."

"Of course, the murderer never appeared again," said my friend, in conclusion, "and just why he should have killed Hanby was never known. Whatever it was, the children, who have grown up in the 30 years since their father's death, have never learned the secret from their mother's sister, who has brought them up, and all the chances are that they never will know. What is more, I think it would not be an agreeable knowledge to them if they did have it!"—Washington Star.

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors she had consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers, 139 Florida street, San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching consumption, tried without result everything else then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. At West's Drug Store.

Ford County is especially fortunate, every city and village within its borders having voted against license this spring in the late elections. There is not a saloon in the county.

Thirty years is a long time to fight so painful a trouble as piles, but James Mitchell, of Unionville, Pa., struggled that long before he tried DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which quickly and permanently cured him. It is equally effective in eczema and all skin affections. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

George Kauz of Mowqua, is a cousin of Able Kauz who has been promoted to commodore in the United States navy.

When a cold is contracted, cure it at once. One Minute Cough Cure will set you on the road to recovery in a minute. It will cure pneumonia, bronchitis, croup and all forms of lung and throat troubles. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Have You Kidney Trouble? A 50c trial bottle of Foley's Kidney Cure will prevent serious results from this unusually fatal disease. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.



Victor Hugo's great story, *Miserable*, tells how "Jean Valjean" a man of enormous strength held up the broken cornice of a wall until braces were brought, thus preventing the collapse of the entire building. Sometimes when the human constitution is undermined by disease that it threatens to collapse, the strong arm of Science upholds the tottering wall of life until Nature's sustaining power can be exerted.

There are hundreds of instances on record where strength and vitality were completely gone; the body weak and emaciated; the digestive organs powerless; the nervous system shattered; and all human hope of recovery apparently exhausted when that marvelous resource of medical science Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery by its wonderful blood-vitalizing, strength-making, flesh-building properties restored complete health, vigor and activity.

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Ralph Green, of Williamsburg, Mo., writes: "Before I commenced your treatment I could not take a drink of water without great suffering in the stomach. Could not eat. I suffered so I could not obtain more than three or four hours sleep at night. I was fast sinking. I had five different doctors to examine me, and each one treated me, but without doing me any good. At last my friends advised me to call for your advice. I did so, and took four or five bottles of your Golden Medical Discovery, and today I am in better health than I have been for five years. I weigh 157 pounds."

A great deal of sickness may be saved by keeping on hand a copy of Dr. Pierce's thousand-page illustrated book, "The Common Sense Medical Adviser." Sent free, paper-bound, for twenty-one one-cent stamps to pay cost of mailing only; or cloth-bound for thirty-one stamps. Address, World's Dispensary Medical Association, No. 664 Main Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

Springfield claims to be the best and largest poultry center in the state outside of Chicago, shipping a car load of live poultry to Chicago each week, besides large quantities to New York and elsewhere.

A Queer (?) Medicine.
There is a medicine whose proprietors do not claim to have discovered some hitherto unknown ingredient, or that it is a cure-all. This honest medicine only claims to cure certain diseases, and that its ingredients are recognized by the most skilled physicians as being the best for Kidney and Bladder Diseases. It is Foley's Kidney Cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The contribution box in St. Patrick's church in Lincoln was broken open on Tuesday by some sacrilegious fellow, and the contents carried off. It is not known how much it contained.

Croup and whooping cough are childhood's terrors; but like pneumonia, bronchitis, and other throat and lung troubles, can be quickly cured by using One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

A department of the American Volunteers, an off-shoot of the Salvation Army, has been established at Kankakee. They hold their services in a large tent.

When the spring time comes, "gentle Annie," like all other sensible persons, will cleanse the liver and renovate the system with DeWitt's Little Early Risers, famous little pills for the liver and stomach all the year round. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

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Unfortunate People
are they who while suffering from Kidney Diseases are prejudiced against all advertised remedies. They should know that Foley's Kidney Cure is not a quick remedy, but an honest guaranteed medicine for Kidney and Bladder troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Midget Murphy, late of Yale and the New York club, has been offered the New Haven franchise in the Connecticut league and may accept.

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Pitcher Devlin, formerly of the St. Louis Browns, is running a grocery store in conjunction with his brother at Troy, N. Y.

When Weak, Weary and Wasted from Kidney Diseases, why not try Foley's Kidney Cure, a guaranteed medicine. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

A. M. Thorpe of the St. James hotel at Champaign, was thrown from a vehicle in a runaway and had a leg broken.

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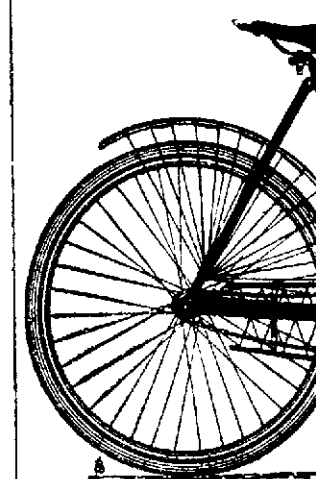
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SOCIETY MEETINGS.

MASONIC.—Special convocation of Mason Chapter, No. 21, Royal Arch Masons, this evening at 7:30 o'clock, in Temple Block, for work in Most Excellent Master's degree. Visiting companions are welcome. By order of C. L. Hovey, E. H. P. THEO. COLLMAN, Sec'y.

LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Koek.

Irwin's harmless headache powder cures in 15 minutes.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-dtf

Nearly cold enough for a frost this morning. Too much wind.

Smoke the famous Loda, a fine 10 cent cigar, made by John Weigand. Moh 25 tf

After May 15th we close at 7 p. m. Pearl Oyster and Fish Co. Telephone 344.

The Cerro Gordo band will furnish the music at Riverside park Sunday afternoon.

Roger & Gallet's violet perfume, special price of sixty-five cents an ounce at West's Drug store.—12d1w

On and after June 1st we will close on Sunday. Pearl Oyster and Fish Co. Telephone 344. 4d30t

Rehearsals for the Columbia Fete are progressing satisfactorily under the direction of the Misses Mathews.

Ask your druggist for the German Catarrh Cure, a positive cure for catarrh, asthma, cough, colds and headache. mar 16-dtf

Imported perfumes, toilet preparations, smelling salts, rouges, manicure supplies just received at West's Drug store; low prices on everything.—12d1w

Dr. A. S. Waltz, who attended the Illinois state dental society meeting at Peoria this week, was elected a member of the state executive council.

A. F. DeBaan is again on duty as custodian of Central park. He earned the reappointment after going the trials and tribulations of the campaign year.

In addition to their several solo numbers Mr. Francis Fischer Powers and Mrs. Albro Blodgett will sing three duets at the concert at the Presbyterian church Wednesday evening, May 26.

A week from tomorrow the members of the Epworth League of Grace Methodist church will hold exercises to celebrate the eighth anniversary of the organization of the society.

Chester Cox had a bad header on his bicycle this morning. He was riding in front of the fire house when he struck a stone and was thrown quite a distance. He was not seriously hurt.

Next Monday night a musical will be given at the home of Mrs. J. K. Love for the benefit of the College street chapel. The orchestra of the Presbyterian Sunday school will take part in the program.

In the game of base ball yesterday between the Kenney Mute club and Paxton club the former won by a score of 10 to 5. McGinty pitched for Paxton and Cummings for Kenney.

BASE BALL.

National League.

Baltimore 11, St. Louis 7.

Philadelphia 7, Louisville 1.

Pittsburg 7, Washington 1.

Cincinnati 6, New York 5.

Western League.

Milwaukee 9, Kansas City 8.

Minneapolis 14, St. Paul 1.

The U. B. Conference for Cuba.

Toledo, Iowa, May 15.—Today's session of the twenty-second general conference of the United Brethren authorized a telegram sent the president expressing the hope that in behalf of liberty and humanity he may see his way clear to recognize the belligerent rights of the Cubans. The day was devoted to reading reports of the various boards.

Sales of Real Estate.

Joseph Michler, et al to Sarah Dunn, lot 9, block 2, Leforge & Patterson's addition to Decatur.—\$150.

H. A. Wood to Fannie A. Bridges, lot 5, block 9, Powers' addition to Decatur.—\$2900.

To Consumptives.

As an honest remedy, Foley's Honey and Tar does not hold out false hopes in advanced stages, but truthfully claims to give comfort and relief in the very worst cases, and in the early stages to effect a cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Seed Distribution.

New seed store, complete stock, fresh garden, field and flower seeds. Leon & Morris, 138 East Wood street.—9-dw&tf

Don't make a narrow door narrower with a heavy drapery. We drape too much.

Cyclone Insurance in first class com-

panies. J. L. Drake, over P. O.

GETTING IN SHAPE.

Street Superintendent Williams is Preparing for a Systematic Cleaning of the City.

Bert Williams, the new superintendent of streets, is getting things in shape for a general cleaning of the streets of the city. Mr. Williams says that he has been over the entire city and found just what was to be done and as soon as the council decided upon the appropriations and wages he is ready to get to work in earnest. He says that he finds the streets in the Fifth and Sixth wards in worse shape than in any other part of the city. They have not been cleaned for five years and in many places the culverts are stopped up and the water is not carried away. Mr. Williams says that on Monday he will put the two graders to work for the city and also the three township graders and have the streets that are not paved properly graded. Mr. Williams says he has made a note of everything that needs to be done and his idea is to make a general cleaning of all the streets and after once getting them clean to keep them in that condition. He says he has made a thorough investigation of the city so that he can carry on the work in a systematic manner.

THE CITY MONEY.

Figures that Will Appear in Major Hays' Annual Report.

The annual report of F. L. Hays, retiring city clerk, will be read at the first meeting of the city council in June. The report is nearly completed. It will show just what was done with all the money in the various funds. Here are the figures:

	Total Bal. drawn	Ordr.
Public Improvement.....	\$14,202	\$3,178
Fire Department.....	22,557	778
Waterworks.....	28,908	1,828
Police.....	17,192	1,158
Light.....	6,278	1,768
Repairing streets.....	3,325	474
Cleaning streets.....	1,957	12
Streets and alleys.....	2,186	650
Health.....	1,204	204
Salaries.....	10,657	372
Sidewalks and crossings.....	3,415	415
Parks.....	494	506
Cleaning crossings.....	1,437	127
Interest.....	4,500	982
Law.....	520	60
Contingent.....	965	93

The total of the overdrafts this year will amount to between \$8000 and \$7000. An overdraft was carried over from last year of about \$8000, so that on the last two years the city has had an overdraft of about \$16,000. That much will be taken from the funds at the disposal of the new administration. When Mayor Conklin took hold of the reins in 1895 the overdraft was \$22,000. It is probable that further decrease in draft on the bank will be made under the present administration.

A Conscience Swindler.

D. H. Bender, the commission man who lost \$7 worth of potatoes and a horse and wagon because of the crookedness of Albert Rose, to whom he had given a \$3 license for peddling in the city, received a letter today from Chicago. It contained the license only—not a word from Rose. The fellow had left town Thursday night with the proceeds of his sale and had left the horse and buggy with a colored man on North Railroad avenue. Rose had given the colored man 50 cents to take care of the horse. After reaching Chicago Rose no doubt got to thinking how Bender would be worrying about that license and his tender heart caused him to send it back. Mr. Bender would be highly pleased to learn the present address of Rose.

The Mission Officers.

The annual meeting of the Illinois Missionary society of the Church of God was concluded at Bolling Springs church this week. The next meeting will be held at Martinsville. These officers were elected:

President—Mrs. H. E. Stare, Decatur.

Vice President—Miss Mary Berkstresser, Buda.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. C. M. Ritchie, Warrensburg.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Clara Stare, Decatur.

Treasurer—Mrs. M. E. Braden, Beardsville.

Superintendent of Mission Bands—C. M. Ritchie.

Social Last Night.

Some of the members of the Christian Endeavor society gave an entertainment last evening at the Brick school in the northwest part of the city. A musical and literary program was rendered. Recitations were given by Amy Vermillion, John Scanlan, Mrs. Scanlan and Mrs. Chapman. A vocal solo was given by Mr. Wolfe and instrumental numbers were rendered by Ora Bridge. Ice cream and cake were served after the program.

Wanted at Taylorville.

Deputy Sheriff J. R. Edmunds of Taylorville, was in Decatur today after two men who had swindled Mr. Wilkinson out of a board bill. One of the parties was caught at Bement. The other was arrested at Oakley by Marshal Behinger of Oakley. He was M. P. Johnson who was brought to Decatur and put in the city prison. Both men were taken to Taylorville this afternoon.

Will Play This Afternoon.

The Decatur high school baseball team and the Bement club play this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Edward street park. The Bement team arrived this morning.

Garden Seeds.

Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s.—Jan-2d-wtf

PERSONAL MENTION.

—A. T. Grist arrived home yesterday from Rock Island.

—Alderman F. M. Young is in Chicago on business.

—John Kinney is ill at his home on North Church street.

—Mrs. James Barrell of Chicago, is in the city visiting friends.

—Henry Tincher left to-day for Indianapolis to visit his father.

—Mrs. M. A. Young arrived in the city this afternoon from Chicago.

—Miss Anna Walston went to St. Louis yesterday to visit friends.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Pollock and son, Karl, went to Peru, Ind., to-day to visit friends.

—W. R. Bresie arrived home last night from Chicago where he has been on business.

—Mrs. A. F. Converse has arrived home from Clinton where she has been visiting friends.

—Miss Boiesonneau, of Bement, is in the city to-day visiting the family of William Voorhies.

—R. L. Sleeth has gone to Pittsburg, Pa., to see his sister who is dangerously ill at that city.

—Miss Margaret Wallace, who has been attending school at Normal, has returned home.

—Mrs. C. M. Friend, of Hannibal, Mo., who has been visiting Mrs. S. D. May, has returned home.

—Mrs. E. R. Piper is ill at the home of her father, Dr. W. J. Chenoweth, on West Wood street.

—Mrs. Leo Heilbrun and son, Herbert, have gone to Cincinnati to visit friends for two weeks.

—John and Will Blenz are in Wayne county looking after a farm which they recently purchased.

—Miss Josephine Griffith of Peoria, and A. D. Daucy of Decatur, were married in Peoria last Monday.

—Tyler Merriweather, who attends the University of Pennsylvania, is home for the summer vacation.

—Misses Maud and Abbie Lincoln of Hammond, are in the city visiting their sister, Mrs. Harry Conklin.

—Miss Henrietta Stamm, who has been visiting Miss Josephine Laux, has returned to her home in St. Louis.

—Rev. J. Bernard, pastor of the Church of God of this city will sail to-day from New York City for Denmark.

—Mrs. Peter Vrodenburgh, Jr., of Springfield, is in the city visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. T. S. Hoskins.

—Mrs. Frank Wilderman, of Slater, Mo., is in the city visiting Mrs. Thomas Jones at the corner of Clayton and Herkimer streets.

—Henry Shlaudemann and wife left last night for Portsmouth, O. Later in the season they will leave on a trip to Europe and expect to be gone about a year.

—Earle Bartholomew, who has been attending the Leeland Stanford University in California, is home to spend the vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Bartholomew.

SUPPOSED MURDER.

N. B. Clark, the Michigan "Bark King" Found Dead This Morning.

Milwaukee, Wis., May 15.—The dead body of N. B. Clark, the "bark king of Michigan," was found near the Lake Shore in the rear of Ivanhoe flats this morning. Two bullet wounds and a revolver at first indicated suicide but the location of the wounds and other indications make it doubtful. His jewelry and diamonds were on his person but no money. One bullet entered his back. Clark stated when he left the hotel last night that he was going for a walk. He was 50 years old and a member of the Michigan Bank and Lumber company. He lived in Grand Rapids.

Family Reunion.

R. N. Bell left this afternoon for his old home in Jersey county, Illinois, where he will attend a family reunion held to celebrate the occasion of the 89th birthday of his father, J. Bell, one of the oldest citizens of the county. The elder Mr. Bell has lived on his farm in Jersey county for the past 85 years and is well known in that part of the state. His three sons, R. N., of this city, J. W., of Kansas, and W. J. Bell will be present. Mr. Bell of this city has not seen his brother, J. W. Bell, of Kansas, for the past twenty-seven years.

Picnic at Springwood.

This afternoon a picnic was given at Springwood farm, the home of J. R. Burrows, east of the city. The party drove out this afternoon and will have supper and return home this evening. The company included the following: Mrs. Luella Shellabarger, Miss Harriet Howell, Miss Laura Johns, Misses Grace and Corinne Shellabarger, Miss Mary Voorhies, Mrs. E. J. Sedgwick and Messrs. W. C. Johns, Frank Shull, Frank and Edward Powers, Will Armstrong and Will Linn.

Comedy Drama.

The Holden company will give their last performance tonight in which the entire company will appear and nearly all of the magnificence pictures will be shown. You should go tonight without fail. A Fowler bicycle will be given away to the holder of the lucky number.

MISS JULIA E. KENNEDY.

Lecture in W. C. T. U. Hall Yesterday Afternoon.

A good audience greeted Miss Julia E. Kennedy of Terre Haute, at the W. C. T. U. hall yesterday afternoon where she spoke on the subject, "Know Thy Self." She brought out many points on the importance of every woman having full physiological knowledge of her structure to enable her to so live as to avoid the many causes of disease to which she is susceptible. The great need of a wide dissemination of physiological and hygienic information among women of this nation is very apparent as a great majority of the sex are suffering from some form of disease that might have been avoided had the sufferer had the knowledge requisite to enable her to avoid mistakes. Miss Kennedy brought out very forcibly the idea of the unity of mind, soul and body. We cannot expect to have a sound mind or a pure soul in a diseased body. The body is the home of the soul and is God-given for our care, respect and cultivation just as much as the mind or soul. We are answerable to God for the abuse of the body, the same as we are for the neglect of the cultivation of the mind or for the salvation of our souls. Those who failed to hear Miss Kennedy missed a rare opportunity for much valuable information. She was formerly at the Illinois State Normal and had the pleasure of meeting several of her former pupils.

CHANGE OF TIME.

The Vandalia Makes Important Changes to Go Into Effect To-morrow Noon.

There are several changes in the time of trains on the Vandalia which will go into effect tomorrow at noon. The train to Terre Haute which formerly departed at 8 a. m., will now leave at 7:40 a. m. The train to Peoria which has been leaving here at 11:42 will arrive at 10:45 and leave at 10:50. The afternoon train to Terre Haute instead of leaving at 3:25 will arrive at 1:30 and leave at 1:35 p. m.

Children at the Grand.

This forenoon there were over 200 children on the stage at the Grand opera house where they were put through marches and drills in preparation for the Columbia Fete which exhibition will be given next Tuesday night. The Misses Mathews and many Decatur ladies were on the stage directing the rehearsal. It will be a splendid exhibition.

There was also a rehearsal of the children who will do the jig dances, the Spanish dances and the skirt dances. Mrs. Charles H. Cassell has this feature of the entertainment in charge and she has given it considerable attention and time. The participants did splendidly today and will not fail to win praise Tuesday night.

Benefit of St. James.

Next Tuesday evening an entertainment will be given at the Turner park under the auspices of the choir of St. James German Catholic church. It will be for the benefit of the church. There will be solo, duets and choruses by the choir in German and English. Three short plays will be given by the boys of the church school. The participants have been practicing for some time and the entertainment promises to be a good one.

Rev. Father Teppie, the rector of the church, has been training these who are to take part in the play and the choir is being trained by Prof. A. Speeth.

Hazel Downed Tony.

There was a wrestling match last two in three, for \$10 a side yesterday afternoon near the river, and a good sized crowd with Walter Luvy as referee, witnessed the exhibition. The opponents were Tony, the Italian banana merchant, and Hazel, a countryman. Tony won the first fall, but the next two went to Hazel, who was too stout and skillful for the dusky son of Italy. Tony is now trying to get even and balance his cash accounts.

Will Speak at Deland.

Rev. W. F. Gilmore has accepted an invitation to deliver the address on Memorial day at Deland in Platt county. The exercises will be held on Saturday afternoon, May 29, and the Grand Army Post will be in charge.

Rain and Hail.

There was more rain today. It began to fall at about 4 o'clock this morning and was for a short time accompanied by hail. If work and cash came as easily as rain everybody would be smiling and happy.

A Dispute.

Colonel Mathias, one of the oldest residents from the First ward, and Ed L. Martin, had a controversy on the street yesterday about a business matter which resulted in the alderman issuing a city warrant to issue.

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Proceedings in Congress.

The Senate Passes the Cuban Relief Bill Without Division—Bailley Objects in the House.

Washington, May 17.—The senate committee on foreign relations today decided in furtherance of the plan suggested in the President's message of the terms of which it was informed in advance, to report the resolution appropriating \$50,000 for the relief of American citizens in Cuba. As soon as the message was read in the senate the committee reported the resolution and it was at once passed without division.

Hear reported from the judiciary committee in favor of taking no action on the resolution requiring H. R. Chapman to purge himself of contempt before applying to the president for clemency. Chapman is the New York broker who is sentenced to fine and imprisonment for refusing to testify during the safe sugar trust investigation. The report was adopted and the resolution tabled.

Pettigrew's resolution directing the committee on Pacific railroads to investigate whether any lands were fraudulently leased to the Union Pacific was adopted.

Butler's resolution calling on the President for information as to the authority by which the proposed sale of Union Pacific was agreed on between the executive and a combination of purchasers was agreed to.

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